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FOR RAPID, GLOBAL EXPRESSION

ANALYSIS

Group Art Unit: 1634

Examiner: J. Taylor

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I. AMENDMENT; AND II. RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION DATED MARCH 12, 2003

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This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated March 12, 2003, for which the three-month date for response is June 12, 2003.

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Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.